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**- REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, January 6, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

Community Services Building

440 Civic Center Plaza

Richmond, CA 94804

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Pages

**A. OPEN SESSION TO HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION**

5:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**C. CLOSED SESSION**

**C.1 LIABILITY CLAIMS (Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- Claimant: Allwyn Brown  
Agency Against: City of Richmond

**C.2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)**

- Agency Representatives: Sharrone Taylor, Jack Hughes, and Lisa Charbonneau

Employee organizations:

1. SEIU Local 1021 Full Time Unit and Part Time Unit
2. IFPTE Local 21 Mid-Level Management Unit and Executive Management Units
3. Richmond Police Officers Association RPOA
4. Richmond Police Management Association RPMA
5. IAFF Local 188
6. Richmond Fire Management Association RFMA

**C.3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

(Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

- One case

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT BEFORE CLOSED SESSION (limited to items on the Closed Session agenda only)**

**E. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

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**F. REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL**

6:00 p.m.

**G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**H. ROLL CALL**

**I. STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**J. ELECTION OF THE NEW VICE MAYOR FOR 2026**

**K. AGENDA REVIEW**

**L. REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY OF FINAL DECISIONS MADE DURING CLOSED SESSION**

**M. REPORT FROM THE CITY MANAGER (public comment allowed under Open Forum)**

**M.1 NEW EMPLOYEE REPORT - 1st Tuesday**

**N. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

(public comment on items that remain on the Consent Calendar or items not on the agenda - limited to 2 minutes unless otherwise specified - Back and forth dialogue with the Council is prohibited)

**O. CITY COUNCIL CONSENT CALENDAR**

(All items placed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and noncontroversial. These items will be enacted upon together with a motion and second, without discussion, of any member of the City Council, and each item shall be deemed to have received the action recommended.)

**O.1 City Manager's Office**

- O.1.a Contract Amendment No. with Folger Graphics and Justine Page Design for Design and Printing Services 10**

APPROVE contract amendment No. 1 with Justin Page Design Co. increasing the payment limit by \$10,000 for a total payment of \$20,000, and APPROVE contract amendment No. 1 with Folger Graphics increasing the payment limit by \$100,000, for a total payment limit of \$235,000, and expanding each contractor's scope to allow for additional work on City-wide related projects and APPROPRIATE \$110,000 to support these services - City Manager's Office (Patrick Seals/Abdul Black 510-307-8016).

- O.1.b Formation of the Black Resiliency Project Community Advisory Committee 62**

ADOPT a resolution authorizing the creation of the Black Resiliency Project Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and approving its purpose, duties, membership and composition, terms of service, meeting procedures, conflict-of-interest requirements, and dissolution parameters – City Manager's Office (Lashonda White 510-620-6828/Yahna Williamson 510-650-6574).

**O.2 Community Development****O.2.a On-Call Financial and Economic Analyses Services**

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ADOPT a resolution authorizing contracts for on-call financial and economic analyses services, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000 per vendor for a three-year term, with an option to extend the contract term for up to two, one-year extensions, to provide services for several departments, including Community Development, Economic Development, Finance, Port of Richmond, and Richmond Housing Authority – Community Development Department (Lina Velasco/Jesus M. Morales 510-620-6706).

**O.3 Economic Development****O.3.a Contract with Liftech Consultants, Inc. for Planning and Design Services for the Relocation of the SS Red Oak Victory**

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APPROVE a contract with Liftech Consultants Inc. in the amount of \$299,797 for planning and preliminary design of the relocation of the Red Oak for a term ending June 30, 2027 - Economic Development Department/Port (Charles Gerard 510-620-6792). **This item was continued from the December 16, 2025, meeting.**

**O.3.b Contracts with Hungry Ghost Productions and Debra Koppman for Public Art Mural and Mosaic Tile Project**

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APPROVE two contracts with (1) Hungry Ghost Productions for the design, fabrication, and installation of a mural in an amount not to exceed \$210,000; and (2) Debra Koppman for the design, fabrication, and installation of mosaic tabletops in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for work associated with the Allen Brothers Steak and Seafood Facility Public Art Project, funded by private developer arts contributions, for terms beginning January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026 – Economic Development Department/Arts & Culture (Nannette J. Beacham 510-621-1306/Jordon Nesbitt 510-620-6787).

- O.4 Fire Department**
- O.4.a Contract With Jet Dock Systems, Inc. for the Repair and Maintenance of the Fire Department’s Boat Lift** 296
- APPROVE a sole-source contract with Jet Dock Systems, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for a three-year contract term effective January 1, 2026, through January 1, 2029, with two one-year extension options not to exceed an additional \$20,000 per year – Fire Department (Chief Aaron Osorio 510-307-8021/Deputy Fire Chief Rico Rincon 510-307-8041/Battalion Chief Michael Velazquez 510-620-6989).
- O.5 Library and Community Services**
- O.5.a Environmental & Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) Grant Category 3 Grant Awards Fiscal Year 2025-2026** 334
- ADOPT a resolution approving the recommendations from the Environmental & Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) Ad Hoc Committee to award Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Category 3 grants to five (5) organizations in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000; and AUTHORIZE the city manager or their designee to negotiate and execute Grant Service Agreements – City Manager’s Office (Patrick Seals/Jora Atienza Washington/Nicholas Delgado 510-620-6512).
- O.5.b Contract with LCPtracker for Software Support for Labor Compliance Monitoring System** 358
- APPROVE a sole-source contract with LCP Tracker, a web-based labor compliance monitoring system to track compliance with City of Richmond’s Local Employment Program Ordinance and Business Opportunity Ordinance, for a payment limit of \$27,999 with a term beginning March 5, 2025, and ending March 4, 2026 – Community Services Department/Employment & Training (Tamara Walker 510-307-8006/LaShonda White 510-620-6828).
- O.6 Police Department**
- O.6.a Contracts with Oliver’s Tow Inc., Civic Center Auto Care, Certified Towing, Checker’s Towing, and Bay Area Tow Inc. for City-wide Tow Services** 401
- APPROVE three-year contracts with Oliver’s Tow Inc., Civic Center Auto Care, Certified Towing, Checker’s Towing, and Bay Area Tow Inc. for City-wide rotational tow and automotive services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 per vendor per year up to \$250,000 annually, with a term from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2028, with one two-year option for each vendor to renew the contract up to \$100,000 per vendor, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000 per vendor – Police Department (Assistant Chief Timothy Simmons 510-621-1802/Tawfic Halaby 510-620-5482).

**O.7 Public Works****O.7.a Construction Agreement with Bauman Landscape and Construction Inc. for the 13th Street Complete Street Project 725**

ADOPT a resolution to APPROVE a construction agreement with Bauman Landscape and Construction Inc. for the 13th Street Complete Street Project in an amount not to exceed \$3,993,481.50 with an additional construction contingency in the amount of \$400,000 (10%) and AUTHORIZE the director of public works to approve change orders within this contingency amount for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$4,393,481.50 - Public Works Department (Hillal Hamdan 621-1612/Robert Armijo 620-5477).

**P. NEW BUSINESS****P.1 Port of Richmond Enterprise Fund Financial Overview Report 755**

RECEIVE the Port of Richmond Financial Report and presentation, which provides an overview of Port revenue sources, tariff structures, and funding mechanisms for larger infrastructure projects – Economic Development Department/Port (Charles Gerard 510-620-6792/Rita Martinez 510-621-1546). **This item was continued from the December 16, 2025, meeting.**

**P.2 Evaluation Report by WestEd on the Richmond Fund for Children & Youth 776**

RECEIVE the WestEd evaluation report, a third-party external evaluator, assessing the impact of the Richmond Fund for Children & Youth grant programs from Fiscal Years 2021–2024 – Richmond Department of Children & Youth (Patrick Seals/LaShonda White 510-307-8016). **This item was continued from the December 16, 2025, meeting.**

**P.3 Develop an Ordinance Requiring All Homeowners Association Located in Very High, High, or Moderate Fire Hazard Severity Zone Areas to Adopt Architectural Design Guidelines for Non-Combustible Fences and Gates 889**

DIRECT staff to study California Assembly Bill 3074 and Senate Bill 504 (2024) that establishes an ember resistant "Zone Zero" and return to City Council within 60 days with a draft ordinance for the Council to review and consider for adoption - Councilmember Soheila Bana (510-672-3490)/Vice Mayor Cesar Zepeda (510-620-6593).

**Q. REPORTS OF OFFICERS: REFERRALS TO STAFF, AND GENERAL REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS)(limited to two minutes per Councilmember)****R. ADJOURNMENT**